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# Peer Network Gathering Meeting Notes July 18, 2014

**Location:** Red Lantern **TOPIC**: Public Safety

Resources and strategies for Public Safety in neighborhood business districts

#### Leslie Smith, Alliance for Pioneer Square

Presented on Alliance for Pioneer Square's Community Open House focused on public safety

- Public Safety Snapshot Pioneer Square 2014
- Over 200 in attendance, over 400 completed the survey, currently analyzing results
- Communication
  - o Email to distribution list
  - Postcard to every business
  - o Partnered with Residence Council for outreach
- Invited partners
- Interactive
- Had dog watchers on site
- Budget included:
  - Postcards
  - Staff time

#### Don Blakeney, CIDBIA

Presented on Center City Initiative and LEAD Program

- One of C/ID's priorities is public safety
  - Developed Clean and Safe Committee
    - Introduced cameras to the neighborhood
    - Captured video that lead to 5 people caught
    - Built trust in community to implement cameras
    - Footage archive is only 2 weeks
- Center City Initiative, LEAD and Multidisciplinary Team
  - o Frames issues as public health first
  - Did not use more police than usual
  - Partnership extends to health and human service providers
    - Chemical, mental and housing
  - Dollars spent on drug and mental health court

- Reallocated this to on-demand health and human services
- More links about LEAD
  - o http://leadkingcounty.org/
  - o <a href="http://leadkingcounty.org/storage/2014-Lead-Process-Evaluation.pdf">http://leadkingcounty.org/storage/2014-Lead-Process-Evaluation.pdf</a>

#### **Additional Notes**

- Identify service needs in hot spots first
- Advocacy OIS peer network as a larger voice for support
- How will things change with election districts in 2015

### **Challenges**

- Officers at neighborhood meetings are not consistent
- How to activate LEAD program outside of downtown
  - No social service providers in the neighborhood
- Expressed gaps in neighborhood connections with social service providers
- Issues of sales with fortified alcohol
  - AIA pushes problems to other neighborhoods?
  - Customers find new methods
    - Rice Wine 15% alcohol for around \$1
    - New products circumvent the AIA banned product list

#### Other Resources and Information

- Evergreen Treatment <u>REACH team</u>
- 24 hour Crisis Center Clinic
  - o 211 King County, not 24 hours
- Seattle Police Department Website information
- LISC A Natural Connection: The Role of Public Safety in Community Development
- City of Seattle Report on Mandatory Efforts in the Seattle Alcohol Impact Areas